

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY APRIL 27, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

**MADAM CHAIR:** Tonita Gurule-Giron

**COMMISSIONERS:** David Ulibarri  
Barbara Casey  
Vince Howell  
David Romero  
Ember Davis

**ALSO PRESENT:** Pamela Marrujo, Housing Director  
Barbara Padilla, Housing Manager Supervisor  
H. Chico Gallegos, City Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a moment of silence giving condolences to Commissioner Howell and his wife, for the loss of his mother-in-law. We should be grateful for our health.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Vince Howell made a motion to approve the agenda as is. Commissioner Ember Davis and Commissioner David Romero seconded the motion.

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Commissioner Barbara Casey	Yes
Commissioner Vince Howell	Yes
Commissioner David Romero	Yes
Commissioner Ember Davis	Yes
Commissioner David Ulibarri	Yes

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Vince Howell made a motion to approve the minutes of March 16, 2016. Commissioner David Ulibarri seconded the motion.

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Commissioner Vince Howell	Yes
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Commissioner Ember Davis	Yes
Commissioner David Romero	Yes
Commissioner Barbara Casey	Yes
Commissioner David Ulibarri	Yes

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

None at this time.

## **PRESENTATION - FINANCE**

Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos presented the Housing Revenue report thru March 31, 2016. The HA is currently at 81% of revenues. She stated that the department has been tracking the Dwelling Rents and she believes that Housing is possibly going to use it on Capital Outlay next year to rehabilitate more of the units. Expenditures are at 67% thru March 31, 2016.

## **HOUSING DIRECTORS MONTHLY REPORT**

Director Marrujo welcomed Commissioner David Ulibarri to the Board and Congratulated Madam Chair/Mayor on her new position. She stated that she looks forward to working with the new board.

Director Marrujo reported that the HA staff just returned from annual training in Ruidoso, New Mexico. She reported that it was a great conference, with something on the agenda for everyone. Maintenance staff received training on different things including maintaining appliances. Director Marrujo wanted the Commission to know that the LVHA maintenance staff competed in the "Maintenance Olympics", which is a timed competition between all the maintenance staff from different Housing Authorities across New Mexico. In this competition they have to change out a lock, a kitchen faucet, an outlet, and place VCT tile in an odd shaped box. She stated she was proud to report that her staff took 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> place. They received cash prizes as well as tools and other prizes. Director Marrujo also reported that Housing Manager, Rita Sanchez was recognized as Employee of the Year for her dedication and commitment to the Housing Department.

Barbara Padilla, Housing Manager Supervisor addressed the Commission stating that Director Marrujo was nominated by her Staff, and was presented with an award for Director of the Year by the New Mexico NAHRO Board. Mrs. Padilla stated that Director Marrujo was appreciated for her leadership in the Housing Authority, by the entire staff, stating that in her 18 years with Housing, she has never seen zero vacancies. Director Marrujo has accomplished just that and has done an amazing job as the leader of the Housing Authority.

Director Marrujo informed the Commission and provided literature from "Homewise" out of Santa Fe, who will be offering 2 free workshops. One workshop is on Financial Fitness, and the other is a Homebuyer Education workshop. Director Marrujo stated these workshops are open to the community and she is spreading the word to the residents of Public Housing. The workshops will be advertised on the radio and also on the tenant newsletter. Both classes will be held at the NMHU Student Center and are free of charge. Director Marrujo explained that

Homewise is financed through a grant from the Mortgage Finance Authority. Director Marrujo stated if anyone needs assistance registering, she will assist them.

Director Marrujo passed out a step by step guide to register for the "Lead the Way" Board Training for Commissioners by HUD and offered assistance if anyone needs help with registration or has any questions.

### **COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron wanted to congratulate Director Marrujo and her staff for the incredible accolades and hard work that she has demonstrated and brought forth to the Housing Department.

Commissioner Howell wanted to also thank Director Marrujo for doing a great job at the Housing Authority. He stated he has seen a lot of action there and she and her staff are doing a great job.

Commissioner Casey stated it is really nice to get some wonderful positive news from Director Marrujo and she commends her for the work she has done, saying she has put Las Vegas on the South New Mexico map, which is really good and she is very happy for that. She thanked Director Marrujo for her hard work.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION/CLOSED SESSION**

No need for executive session.

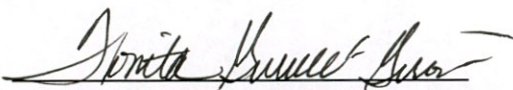
### **ADJOURN**

Commissioner Vince Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ember Davis seconded the motion.

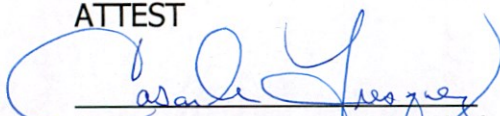
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Commissioner Vince Howell	Yes
Commissioner David Ulibarri	Yes
Commissioner Barbara Casey	Yes

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

  
Madam Chair Tonita Gurule-Giron

ATTEST

  
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk